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HEADQUARTERS, 80TH AREA SUPPORT GROUP (NSSG)
Unit 21419
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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80th ASG (NSSG) Policy # 049-03

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Accident Prevention for Military Vehicles

1. Chemin du Prince, Masnuy-Saint-Jean, will be off limits for military vehicles annually during the period of 1 December through 31 March when hazardous or degraded road conditions exist. Road conditions reported as red or black by the Provost Marshal Office (PMO) are the criteria for hazardous or degraded road conditions. This road closure policy is to preclude accidents due to the formation of black ice.

2. Red or black road conditions will be declared when the roads are covered with either black ice or sheet ice.

a. Black ice covers the road surface with a thin coat of ice that greatly reduces tire traction over major portions of the road. Black ice is difficult to see because of its dull appearance.

b. Sheet ice is a solid ice accumulation covering large areas of the road. Vehicle tires do not make contact with the road surface on sheet ice. Sheet ice conditions generally follow periods of freezing rain and cause significant hazards to traffic.

3. The latest road condition status report may be obtained from the MP Desk at DSN 361-5301 or the Transportation Motor Pool at DSN 423-4532 or 361-5442. Emergency weather warnings for rapidly decreasing weather conditions will be sent by the S2/3 via a community email message.

4. Exception to this policy will only be authorized for mission-essential and emergency-essential official business on Chemin du Prince, or locations in the vicinity of Chemin du Prince which cannot be accessed by other roadways.

5. Authorized official business includes:

- a. Security missions
- b. Military Police patrols
- c. Accident investigations
- d. Personal property quality control inspections
- e. Housing inspections by the Housing Office

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6. Military vehicles operators failing to abide by this policy will be subject to appropriate actions.
7. The proponent for this memorandum is the 80th ASG (NSSG) DOL Transportation Officer, DSN 423-4571 / 4109.



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